## CHEMICAL ENGINE COMPANY NEAR BENNING, D. C.

March 11, 1904.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Gallinger, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, submitted the following

## REPORT.

[To accompany the proposed amendment to H. R. 12833.]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the amendment intended to be proposed by Mr. Gallinger to the bill (H. R. 12833) making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, and for other purposes, viz, insert the following: "For house and furniture for a chemical engine company to be located near Bennings, District of Columbia, including cost of connecting said house with fire-alarm headquarters, twenty-three thousand dollars," having considered the same make favorable report thereon and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The proposed amendment has the approval of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, as will appear by the following letter:

> OFFICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, Washington, March 5, 1904.

Hon. J. H. GALLINGER,

Chairman Committee on the District of Columbia, United States Senate.

DEAR SIR: The Commissioners recommend favorable action on the amendment intended to be proposed by you to H. R. 12833, making appropriations for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year 1905, as follows:

"For house and furniture for a chemical-engine company to be located near Bennings, District of Columbia, including cost of connecting said house with fire-alarm headquarters, twenty-three thousand dollars."

A provision to the same effect was incorporated in the estimates as submitted by the Commissioners and is very desirable.

Very respectfully, HENRY B. F. MACFARLAND, President Board of Commissioners District of Columbia.